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Honorable Allen W. Dulles Director Central Intelligence Agency Washington 25, D. C.

My dear Mr. Director:

This will acknowledge your letter of February 4, 1954, in reply to my letter of January 14, 1954.

The Interdepartmental Committee on Internal Security has noted that your agency reports, as a matter of routine, to the Department of State, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and the Immigration and Naturalization Service the information in the two categories described in my letter of January 14, 1954, namely:

- 1. When the fingerprints of visa applicants, which are forwarded to the Federal Bureau of Investigation by American consular officers abroad, are checked and disclose any derogatory information concerning the visa applicant under the same or any other name.
- 2. When information is received by the Federal Bureau of Investigation or the Central Intelligence Agency, indicating
- that any alien who is at least questionable from the viewpoint of our national security who has arrived in the United States, is en route to the United States, or is traveling internationally and may therefore apply for an American ciplomatic or consular visa or attempt to enter the United States.

The ICIS has approved the program outlined in the letter of January 14, 1954, on the basis of information received from the Director, FBI, and on the assumption that your agency will continue its reporting as indicated above. Accordingly, the program is being referred to the Attorney General for implementation by the Immigration and Naturalization Service and by the FBI and to the Secretary of State for implementation by the Visa Office.

Sincerely yours,

Thomas J. Donegan
Chairman, Interdepartmental Committee
on Internal Security

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